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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Paul M. Defourny and Fereidoun Abbassian

Serial No.: 08/696,986

Filed: March 3, 1997

For: *Drilling Bit Assembly
and Apparatus*

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Attorney Docket No.: DBS-38-A

Art Unit No.: 3672

Examiner: David J. Bagnell

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 16, 1998, Applicants desire to amend
as follows:

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In the Specification

At page 1, line 1, please change the title "Drilling Bit Assembly and Apparatus" to --
Connection for Resilient Application of Torque and Weight to a Drill Bit--.

At page 1, below the title, insert the heading Background of the Invention--.

At page 1, below the newly added heading --Background of the Invention--, insert the
subheading Field of the Invention--.

At page 1, below the first paragraph, insert the subheading Description of Related Art--.

At page 3, between lines 2 and 3, insert the heading Summary of the Invention--.

At page 11, line 2, change "Assembly" to --assembly--.

At page 12, between lines 19 and 20, insert the heading Brief Description of the
Drawings--.

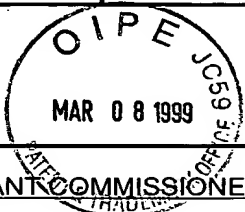
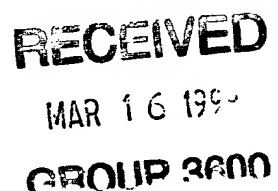
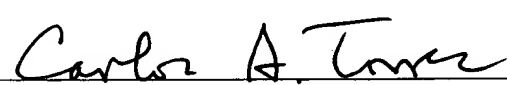
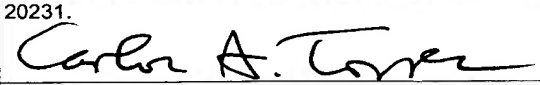
At page 12, line 30, delete "and 7C".

At page 12, line 31, after "along" insert --the indicated-- and after "lines" delete --AA--.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$78.00
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